ON A COLD TRAIL

BOHLATTER IS NOT FOUND AT MR. ROONEY'S RANCH.

der Rooney Thought He Might hav Got Lost in the Hills and Search Everywhere for Him-John H. Stanse Said to be the Man with Whom He is in Retirement - When Schiatter was in Denver Three Years Ago He Treated Sick People-The Mystery of His Disappearance is Darker and Deeper.

Denver, Nov. 20 .- On authority of Ranchman Alexander Rooney, the Morrison friend of "Messiah" Schlatter, porroborated by the word of J. M. Johnon, clerk of the Jefferson County court, it is safe to assume that the hidden-ou "healer" is not in the vicinity of Golien or Morrison. Mr. Johnson is the con-in-law of the much-talked-of Roony, and both are firm believers in the power to cure disease that Schlatter slaims to hold in the grip of his hand. They, or either of them, would feel highly honored if Schlatter would so journ in Morrison during the period of fasting and soliture that is to prepare him for his work in Chicago. But they say he decided otherwise, for reas Bu

ons best known to himself.

In Morrison and its vicinity yester-flay independent testimony of the most convincing character was found sup-porting the statements of Messrs. John-son and Rooney, that neither of them has harbored or even seen Francis Schlatter since he stole away from E. L. Fox's house last Wednesday night. This is its strongest point: For the days prior to yesterday Mr.

Roomey, whenever he could spare the time from the crowd of questioners who have beseiged his ranch house day and night, has been engaged in searching the footbills that trench upon Golden and Morrison for the hidden healer. In the early morning, when the sun shone from its zenith, and even after it had gone down behind the mountains, the old man tirelessly pursued his peculiar quest. Many people observed his movements and wondered at them. Finally one who was an intimate ac-quaintance asked him why he prowled in Bear reads over. Turkey creak can-

quaintance asked him why he prowled up Bear creek carron, Turkey creek can-on and among the gulches and passes around, peering behind every big rock and peeping into all the roomy caves on his irregular Binerary, as though in pursuit of a chance bear of other beast of prey. To this man Rooney made reply that he was looking for Francis Schlattier.

PUZZLED THE NEIGHBORS. His questioner did not know how to

take the aged ranchman's answer, and spoke of it among his friends as something strange to come from the lips of a practical man like Alexander Rooney. These told others of what Rooney said he was seeking, and so the story travel-ed until it became the subject for comhe was seeking, and so the story traveled until it became the subject for common gassin, gathering to itself some that Mr. Schlatter left Fox's house as the did. For instance, when he was in Denver three years ago he left his lodging house secretly one night and built that the ranchman had been seen far up Bear creek late at night, carrying in his hand a lantern and calling aloud upon the name of Schlatter. This is probably an exaggeration, and in all likelihood Mr Rooney confined his hunting expeditions to the hours between dawn and dusk.

Rooney went on: "It is no surprise to me that Mr. Schlatter left Fox's house as the Mr. Schlatter left Fox's house as the Mr. Schlatter left Fox's house as the did. For instance, when he was in Denver three years ago he left his lodging house secretly one night and walked all aione to Cheyenne. He and Judge Stansell were to walk to Chicago. He liked long, lonely walks, for meditation and development."

Tacking again, Mr. Rooney said: "I did not notice much difference between Schlatter when I saw him in North

Investigations made by Detective self."

said Mr. Johnson in reply to a question, "nor at my father-in-law's house either. Crowds go every day to Mr. Rooney's place asking if the healer is there, al-though the old gentleman told them repeatedly that he had not been near the house. It's the truth that Mr. Rooney has not seen Schlatter since the day be-fore he disappeared, and up to Satur-

day, at least, he knew nothing about A DISAPPOINTMENT.

"Why my wife's father has been try-ing harder than anybody to find Mr. to come out here and spend some time to 115 with Mr. Recovey before going to Chicafore he left Fox's house and handed him a lefter of invitation, as he stood treat-ing the people in North Denver. Schat-Ing the people in North Denver. Schatter had never been to the Rooney ranch, and when the papers told how he had all probability the secretive "healer" will not finish this engagement in this city and he is likely to be next heard of in Chicago, footsore and dusty after his long trump. hunting around in the hope of find-

"We are all disappointed," continued Mr. Johnson, "that the healer did not come this way. I have a boy who is a deaf mute. At present he is in the in-stitution for deaf mutes at Colorado Springs. It was intention of myself and my wife to bring the little fellow up to Denver and have him treated by Mr. We didn't do it because we sonaster. We don't do it because we expected Schlatter to come to Mr. Rooney's place for a rest, and then we could have the boy directly under his care. When he left without visiting Morrison we were all greatly surprised. If Mr. Rooney knew where Schlatter was you may be sure he would let my wife or me I am sure Schlatter is safe and he will be heard from at the proper

Yes," added Mr. Johnson, "the powers that control him will see that he comes to no harm while he has work to station.

ARE YOU GOING TO KANSAS CITY? Rooney served only to corrorborate the statement of J. M. Johnson. Mr. Rooney is 71-years-old, a man of much ingelligence and bears the reputation of being most truthful and honorable in every way. He admitted that he felt deeply disappointed that Schiatter had not visited him. "I thought Mr. Schiattel arised to get here and lost his way," said the aged ranchman. "but now I feel certain I made a mistake. While I can't say that I know exactly where the good man is just now I can tell you shar he is quite safe and not so far from Denver as people think. He is going to fast and rest up for awhile, and then he will go to Chicago."

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where Schlauter is?" was asked.

A POINTER. Mr. Rooney shought for a moment be-



together, too. That is all I can tell

Deviating from the direct topic, Mr. Rooney went on: "It is no surprise to

did not notice much difference between the was looking for Schlatter when it saw him in North Denver and when he was here two or three foothills was doubted by all who heard of them and their pretended object. The skeptics theorized that Roonel was "running a bluff" on his neighbors and really knew where Schlatter was all the time.

Investigations made by Detective in the much difference between Schlatter when it saw him in North Denver ami when he was here two or three years ago. He used to beet the bench, only that time, when speaking of whoever he gots his power from, he used to say they instead of my father. That is the only change I noticed in his methods of healing. I believe in him my-self."

Burlew and a companion yesterday proved this to be an error and made it fairly certain that if Francis Schladter to in Morrison, neither Alexander Rooney to the south. The place is still in process fairly certain that if Francis Scalaster to in Morrison, neither Alexander Roonts in Mass Alice Rooney, some distance to
the south. The place is still in process of pre-emption and at present no one
lives on it. On the homestead there
stands a small shanty which Miss Rooney sleeps in once in awhile in order to
make good her title to the land. No Quite unconsciously J. M. Johnson verified the report that Ranchman Rooney had been spending his spare time transfing through the mountains environs of Mountson and Golden in an endeavor to find the "healer's" retreat.

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LOOKING FOR STANSELL.

Following up the Judge Stansell

Following up the Judge Stansell U. pointer in Denver, search was made last evening for that confident of the "healer." He is Jacob B. Stensell, Colorado agent for the Des Moines Life as-sociation. His wife's directory address is "Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stansell, Psychomitter, Room 74, Gillsey house, 1750 Stout street." According to the clerk of the Gilsey, a 'psychometer' is a clairoyvant. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stansell hold ad-vanced ideas on religion.

They are not now stopping at the Gil-ey. The clerk said that Mrs. Stansell sey. The cierk said unit time past. has been in Boston for some time past. Schlatter. He has been out again and Eight of ten days ago Jacob B. Stansell again through the foothills looking for him. You see Schlatter had promised instructions to have his mail forwarded to 115 Nevada avenue south, Colorado hotel. Where he is at present the hotel Mr. Rooney saw him the day be-he left Fox's house and handed him fer of invitation, as he stood treat-ter of invitation, as he stood treattheory is probable in the light of what Ranchman Roosey said yesterday. In

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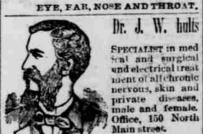
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